

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

**1-4. (canceled).**

**5. (currently amended):** An image forming system ~~apparatus~~ comprising:  
an ~~image-forming apparatus;~~ and  
a ~~toner;~~ wherein:

~~the image-forming apparatus comprises an image carrier on which an electrostatic latent image is formed;~~

~~a developing unit containing a toner, wherein the developing unit develops the electrostatic latent image on the image carrier to form a toner image by the toner;~~

~~a transferring unit which transfers the toner image on the image carrier to a recording medium; and~~

an oil-less fixing unit comprising a main heating member and a pressing member;

wherein the toner has an initial relaxation modulus  $G(t=0.01)$  (Pa) at 120°C, in relaxation time of 0.01 (sec), of  $G(t=0.01)$  [Pa]  $\geq 1.0 \times 10^5$  [Pa]; and a ratio of  $G(t=0.01)$  (Pa) to  $G(t=0.1)$  (Pa) at 180°C, in relaxation time of 0.1 sec, of  $[G(t=0.01)/G(t=0.1)] \geq 20$ ;

the main heating member is in contact with the side of a recording medium opposite to the side on which the toner is provided to fix the toner at a nip part of the main heating member and the pressing member; and

the main heating member and the pressing member define a boundary surface thereof, and the boundary surface takes a configuration protruding toward the side of the main heating member.

**6. (currently amended):** The image-forming ~~system-apparatus~~ according to claim 5, wherein the toner contains a release agent in an amount of 3 wt.% or less.

**7. (currently amended):** An image forming ~~system-apparatus~~ comprising:

~~an image-forming apparatus; and~~

~~a toner; wherein:~~

~~the image-forming apparatus comprises an image carrier on which an electrostatic latent image is formed;~~

~~a developing unit containing a toner, wherein the developing unit develops the electrostatic latent image on the image carrier to form a toner image by the toner;~~

~~a transferring unit which transfers the toner image on the image carrier to a recording medium; and~~

~~an oil-less fixing unit comprising a main heating member and a pressing member;~~

wherein the toner has an initial relaxation modulus  $G(t=0.01)$  (Pa) at 120°C, in relaxation time of 0.01 (sec), of  $G(t=0.01)$  [Pa]  $\geq 1.0 \times 10^5$  [Pa]; and a initial relaxation modulus  $G(t=0.01)$  (Pa) at 180°C, in relaxation time of 0.01 (sec), of  $G(t=0.01)$  [Pa]  $\geq 1.0 \times 10^6$  [Pa];

the main heating member is in contact with the side of a recording medium opposite to the side on which the toner is provided to fix the toner at a nip part of the main heating member and the pressing member; and

the main heating member and the pressing member define a boundary surface thereof, and the boundary surface takes a configuration protruding toward the side of the main pressing member.

**8. (currently amended):** The image-forming system ~~apparatus~~ according to claim 7, wherein the toner contains a release agent in an amount of 3 wt.% or less.